

TO-DAY'S NEWS IN BRIEF.

WASHINGTON.

The action of the Metropolitan Club in declining to accept General Corbin as a member has aroused the indignation of the army, and it is said that a strong bill will be introduced to overthrow the Board of Governors. Roosevelt had indicated Corbin and the latter's refusal is regarded as a thrust at the President.

LOCAL AND SUBURBAN.

Statement of Lieutenant Governor Lee gives origin of the anti-alum conspiracy.

Four companions watched Henry Johnson, a one-eyed man, drown in the river when a boat crossed his rival. He decided to duplicate the feat, which cost \$14.88, and was locked up.

A vagrant, unidentified, building caught Robert Jones, who admitted an attempt to rob August Menzel on a Cherokee street car.

The Transit Company, using only one lion, experienced no difficulty in handling 2,500 visitors to the World's Fair site.

John Ferguson destroyed an Easter hat worn by his sweetheart, Miss Collins, because she was with him. He decided to duplicate the hat, which cost \$14.88, and was locked up.

The annual convention of Turners, which was to have met in Centralia, will convene in St. Louis next Saturday.

Dispute over fence caused quarrel which resulted in killing of Theodore Hoffmann, an electrician, at foot of Grandview street.

Henry T. Mott, capitalist, who has been engaged in the real estate business in St. Louis for half a century, is at the point of death at the Grand Avenue Hotel.

P. Seymour Harrington, released from the Workhouse, who will embark in the railway business to-day, said he would provide funds to bring witnesses here to prove that he is not a blasphemer.

Frank M. Westfield of Cook County, Illinois, committed suicide at the Burlington Hotel because he feared he was losing his mind.

GENERAL DOMESTIC.

Colonel J. E. MacGowan, the veteran editor-in-chief of the Chattanooga Times, died at Chattanooga, Tenn.

Mrs. Andrew Galloway of Springfield, Ill., strangely disappeared while en route to Liverpool, England. Her husband has employed detectives to search for her.

Mrs. Margaret Leber, 81 years old, committed suicide at Springfield, Ill., by hanging herself with a piece of clothing.

A cyclone swept through DeWitt, Logan and Platt counties of Illinois, leaving death and general destruction in its path. One child was killed, his mother's arms and she was injured fatally near Atwood. Many other persons were injured. Much live stock was killed.

Cyrus McArthur of Flora, Ill., who disappeared about a year ago, is thought to have been murdered in Oregon for his money. Some papers, which he carried, were found in the mountains there.

The death of an object of charity, reveals that he had several thousand dollars hidden away, and owned hundreds of acres of land.

The United States Government has started up the Ohio to visit Paducah and Evansville before proceeding to St. Louis to take part in the dedication of the World's Fair.

While suffering under a delusion that his friends were forming a conspiracy to kill him, Patrick Hubbard of Carthage, Mo., shot and mortally wounded Richard O'Rourke, and then turned the weapon upon himself.

Reginald Vanderbilt, in filling out the blank to procure a license to marry Miss Catherine Nelson, gave his occupation as that of a "gentleman."

Three masked bandits held up street car in the suburbs of Chicago early in the morning and rob ten passengers and the car crew.

Cardinal Gibbons is greatly improved in health.

FOREIGN.

The Lusitania ship makes two successful ascensions at night. Despite a stiff breeze, the aeronaut steered his machine at will.

Pope Leo did not officiate at mass yesterday for the first time in his pontificate. This caused many rumors concerning the condition of his health. He was well enough, however, to receive guests.

Rules regulating the censorship of plays in Austria have been revised.

Serious encounters between strikers and the police have occurred in Russia.

SPORTING.

Hugo Kelly will reach the city from Chicago this morning.

Browns won final game of ante-season games by a score of 8 to 1.

The defeat of the new challenger is attributed to a weather fluke.

Patrolman Sears now leads the entire police squad in target practice.

Marine Intelligence.

New York, April 12—Arrived: Donna, Maria, Lisbon, Egypt, Naples.

Queenstown, April 12—Sailed: Etruria (from Liverpool).

Gibraltar, April 12—Passed: Augusta Victoria, Genoa, for New York, returning from Orient cruise.

Besby, Head, April 12—Passed: Grosvenor, Kurlfuss, Bremen, for Cherbourg and New York.

Imsthrall, April 12—Passed: Pomerania, Glasgow, for New York.

Isle of Wright, April 12—Passed: Ryndam, Rotterdam, and Boulogne-sur-Mer, for New York.

Malta Head, April 12—Passed: Siberian, Philadelphia, for Glasgow.

Naples, April 12—Arrived: Commonwealth, Boston, via Ponta del Gada and Genoa.

Moville, April 12—Arrived: Columbia, New York, for Glasgow, and proceeded.

New York, April 12—Arrived: Minneapolis, London and Southampton.

Dover, April 12—Passed: Pentaur, Hamburg, for San Francisco, via South American ports.

FIRE RAGING IN DYART, IA.

Whole Business Portion of Town Is Threatened.

Marshalltown, Ia., April 12—Fire is burning the business part of Dyart, Iowa, today.

The blaze started this morning with an explosion in the Fair store, owned by J. A. Dayton.

The Dayton store, Mayser & Lumsden's drug store, Weiss & Schroeder's market, and the post office have been burned, and the fire is still raging.

ARTISTS' GUILD EXHIBITION.

Professor Vincent Will Lecture at Museum of Fine Arts.

The St. Louis Artists' Guild will hold an exhibition of works at the St. Louis Museum of Fine Arts, corner of Nineteenth and Locust streets, next Friday evening, from 8 to 9 o'clock.

On Tuesday evening, April 2, a lecture will be given in the Hall by Professor George Edgar Vincent of the University of Chicago. Mr. Vincent will choose as his subject, "The Mind of the Mob." After the lecture the works of the members of the Artists' Guild will again be exhibited.

Man Strangled Nine Times.

Peter Nelson is in a serious condition from the effects of nine stab wounds received while playing at quills with Edward and Willie Ebbel of No. 408 Manchester avenue, in the rear of the saloon at No. 329 Manchester avenue, at 6 o'clock last night.

Edward Ebbel has been arrested. Doctor Spooner of No. 1134 Talmage avenue treated the wounded man. The trouble was due to a dispute over the game.

RAMBLE, KENTUCKY.

Peris, Ill., April 12—Samuel Bryant, a well-known citizen, former clerk of Clay County, died at his home in this city.

New Spring Coats.

Most of them are short, some are very long—the new rain coats are very light in weight and attractive. They will be worn on pleasant days for driving, traveling and motoring.

Rain-proof coats from London, made of tan and Oxford cloth, half-fitting back, loose double-breasted front, with belt—full sleeves. \$30.00

English Rain-proof Ulster, made of tan and Oxford cloth, loose front and back confined to waist with belt, cape collar, full sleeves, for. \$32.50

English Covert Coats.

About 50 samples—no two alike—all size 36—made with the new strapped seam effect by one of the best coat manufacturers in this country.

Most of them are the new corset fitting coats, some are half-fitting, a few are loose coats—every coat in this lot is very desirable—Prices range from \$20 to \$40

The Spring Suits.

The climax has been reached—Spring is here—the style show has never been equaled in past history.

If you have not already bought your Spring Suit you have the time to buy in mind. Never before has this store collected as liberally all that is new and best.

In Spring Suits—hardly a style is missing in our representation. \$25.00 to \$100.00

House Suits we have in blue and black serge, with poplin jacket with lined—the skirt is tucked in clusters—Our Special \$25.00

A great showing of the popular Wash Shirt-Waist Suits, made of linens, crumpled and galathea—colors are white, tan and blue—most of them are hand-embroidered and lace-trimmed—prices \$20 \$42.50

A beautiful model comes in a blue or black canvas—blue style-trimmed in silk bands and Persian vest—jacket is silk lined—skirt is trimmed in taffetas bands, with draw around the bottom. \$55.00

Another special is a shirt-waist suit of Taffetas Silk—in either blue and white or black and white checks, trimmed in French knots and silk. \$30.00

Our Infants' Section.

A great section on our second floor is full of the little things so lovingly selected for the welcome new-comers—and the little tots of 2 or 3 years.

Fresh lots of the following slips and dresses are here to fill the little Spring wardrobes:

Cambric slips for infants, hem-stitched ruffle at neck and sleeves. 25c

New Spring sunbonnets for infants, 6 months to 2 years—sized of white, light blue and pink lawn. 50c

White nainsook dresses in 6 months, 1 and 2 year sizes—made with tucked yoke, hemstitched ruffle on neck and sleeves—also bishop style. 50c

Wash Petticoats.

In colors that will launder without fading—all are well made and cut full.

Among the many good values is a lot of black and white percales in stripes or spots at \$1.00. A gingham petticoat with tucked flounce, comes in pretty pink and blue stripes, price \$1.50. Black and white plaid gingham, also plain blue and pink chambrays, lace-trimmed, will be quick sellers at \$2.00.

Scruggs Vandervoort & Barney

New Dress Trimmings.

No need now to speculate as to what the correct trimmings are—the season is now open. Our stock is as full as it has been possible to make it of the scarce styles of fringe and tassel band trimmings, silk applique, pendants and drops:

Also a splendid collection of linen trimmings, suitable for corsage, skirt or lined dresses—some are plain bands, others with fringe effects, all beautifully embroidered in various colors—they will add a great deal to seaside and mountain gowns—widths are 1 to 5 inches; prices 75c to \$2.50 a yard.

Imported Laces.

Irish crochet and Cluny laces are increasing in sales each week—the reason for this is that Summer wash fabrics and the light weight Silk and Wool materials will be trimmed in these laces:

Another shipment of the hard-to-get black silk Cluny bands has just arrived—widths are 3 to 8 inches—prices range \$2.00 a yard up to \$6.00.

The same shipment contained a few high-class novelties in fancy lace bands and insertions—combinations of ecru Point Venise and color effects, 3 to 27 inches wide—75c to \$10.50 a yard.

Tailor-Made Waists.

Made by Fisk, Clark & Flag—greater quantities of this make have been sold early by us this year than in any previous season. This is due to the great variety of styles shown, as well as the attractiveness of each individual waist.

One Madras skirt waist is made with box-plaited yoke front, French back, plain tailor sleeves, turn-back cuffs, stylish stock to match—price. \$5.00

A stylish Butcher's linen waist has a box-plaited and rucked yoke front with Duchess plait, tailor sleeves, light cuffs. \$5.50

Butcher's linen waists with large tailor-stitched side plaits, with duchess plait in front, plain back, full tucked sleeves, stock to match, sell for. \$6.50

Waists of Pongee, made with cluster rucks and stitched bands of silk, forming yoke in front; plain back, full sleeves, with tucks and stitched bands at top—stock to match, stitched in red, light blue and white. \$12.75

25c Sale of Wash Goods.

1,000 pieces at 25c a yard—not all are 35c and 50c fabrics—about half were bought under price—the balance are cloths which you will find this season in the best-equipped stocks in the country—selected for their prettiness and laundering qualities.

Fancy Piques, Ecru Batistes, French Jacons, Mourning Tissues, Embroidered Nainsooks, Arabian Tissues, Embroidered Batistes and the great favorite Derby Tissues—many made to sell for 35c and 50c—all will sell in our special Wash Goods section, devoted to selling of goods, at. 25c

Beautiful Embroideries.

This season promises to be as large, if not a larger, white goods season than last year.

Embroideries will be used more than ever—the showing here is twice that of a year ago.

We have prepared liberally to supply your wants for novelties—novelties that are shown only by this store in St. Louis.

A beautiful line of batiste embroidery in a variety of patterns. In all colors, from \$1.50 to \$16.50 a yard; with hand trimmings and edges to match, 75c to \$8.50 a yard.

White cotton embroidery appliques, in festoon bands and separate medallions, from 25c to \$10.50 a yard.

Nainsook and Swiss sets—edges from 1 inch to 12 inches wide, 15c to \$4.00 a yard; insertions from 1 to 4 inches wide, 15c to \$3.75 a yard.

Linon Bands for Shirt Waists and dresses, from 2 to 8 1/2 inches wide, in black and white, light blue, pink, green, red and navy, from \$1.75 to \$6.50 a yard.

Sale of Embroidered Linens.

Some very handsome embroidered linen bed spreads, slightly soiled by showing in windows and on our counters, have been re-marked 1-3 off the regular prices.

Hand-embroidered Linen Lunch cloths, 45 inches square, \$3.00 grade.	\$1.50	Hemstitched linen lunch cloths, 40 inches square, \$1.50 grade.	\$1.00
Hand-embroidered linen scarfs, 18x26 inches, \$1.50 value.	85c	Hemstitched linen scarfs, size 18x72, \$1.50 value.	\$1.00
Hand-embroidered linen scarfs, 18x45, regular \$1.75 grade.	95c	Hemstitched linen Squares and Pillows, \$1.00 value, each.	65c

Black Dress Goods.

Complete assortment of the well-known Lupin's French and Priestley's English black goods for mourning gowns are now in stock. 44-inch corded and striped mohairs are being shown in several widths and stripes at \$1.00 a yard.

Voiles so much in demand can be had here in abundance—in the 44-inch width we have a complete range of qualities at \$1.00, \$1.25, \$1.50, \$1.75 and \$2.50 a yard.

All Wool \$1 a Yard.

44-inch Crepe de Chine,	42-inch Melrose,
52-inch Serges,	42-inch Fancy Granite,
52-inch Cheviots,	42-inch Mistral Cloths,

White Goods Special.

Saturday's express brought 200 Imported all-white Waist Patterns, beautifully embroidered and hemstitched on fine sheer French nainsook, pretty collar and cuffs trimming in each of the ten different designs—novelties of this character have not been shown before this season—they will not last \$1.75 and \$2.25

\$2.75 Corsets for 98c.

One-half of the purchase was sold Saturday—there are still all sizes left—18 to 24. They are straight front models, imported French made corsets—in drab only. New, fresh, perfect corsets, bought for a mere part of their worth. Instead of \$2.75, they are. 98c

WALL STREET BELIEVES THAT SECURITIES CASE HAS RECEIVED ITS DEATHBLOW.

James J. Hill Continues Hopeful for Reversal of Decision—Says That New Evidence Will Be Introduced and That the Supreme Court Will Sustain the Contentions of the Railroads.

REPUBLIC SPECIAL.

New York, April 12—Wall street agrees that a deathblow has been dealt to the Northern Securities Company by the decision of the Federal Court.

None of those interested in the great combination which holds the majority of the shares of the Northern Pacific and the Great Northern railways, including J. Pierpont Morgan and James J. Hill, have given up hope that the decision will be reversed by the Supreme Court, but others are not so confident.

An appeal has not yet been taken by the attorneys of the Securities Company, and they are waiting for the official text of the decision before steps will be made in this direction. Colonel Lough and former Attorney General Griggs state that the appeal will be presented as soon as possible.

Mr. Hill has seen in confidence with lawyers discussing the decision of the Circuit Court of Appeals. He also conferred with Mr. Morgan and Charles Steele regarding the import of the decision Mr. Hill said:

"If this decision is upheld by the Supreme Court—but I am confident that it will not be—less than 50 or 60 per cent of the railroad systems in the United States will be up in the air. All the work of the last seven years will have to be done all over again in a different way. It is preposterous that Congress intended any such interpretation of the antitrust bill as the Circuit Court of Appeals has placed upon it."

I am inclined to think that our jurists have not read their books aright. I do not wish to enter into the merits or demerits of the case, but I think that further evidence will be introduced by the Northern Securities Company, and we are just as positive as ever that we shall prove our contention to the satisfaction of the Supreme Court."

Asked what plan would be pursued if the company were defeated in the Supreme Court, Mr. Hill said:

"We make no preparation for defeat and do not expect it; but if it should come we shall then have some plan to announce. Of course, we could not then stand still."

DECISION FRAUGHT WITH GREAT PROMISE FOR RAILROADING.

Richmond, Va., April 12—The decision of the United States Circuit Court of Appeals in the Northern Securities case, Mr. John Skelton Williams, president of the Seaboard Air Line Railway system, says, is regarded as one of the greatest reasons and the brightest promises for railroad lines and general business that the country could have.

In an interview to-day with a representative of the Associated Press, when asked for his opinion of the decision, Mr. Williams said:

"It is a judgment that, when they come to study the matter carefully, railroad men and thinking men of all classes not only in the South, but in the entire general country, will find that it is a great step for the advancement of all legitimate interests and for the country's welfare."

"From a legal standpoint, it accords with the opinion of many of the ablest lawyers of the country and it seems to be fortified with authorities and reasoning too strong to be shaken. I have no fear that the Supreme Court will reverse or seriously modify it."

"It is a policy, public sentiment and established principles and precedents of law combine to sustain the Circuit Court. From a commercial and practical standpoint, the soundness of the court's position is indisputable."

"It is the judgment of probably nine-tenths of the most conservative business men of the country. Last November in New Orleans, in an address before the trust company section of the American Bankers' Association, I took the ground that general business must be a check to the processes of merger and combination."

"I found my position was heartily approved."



JAMES J. HILL. Snapshot of the central figure in the great Northern Securities case.

proved by most of my hearers and by the public generally, if I may judge from press comments, and I am satisfied the country at large will welcome the court's action.

The independent roads and systems are by this decision assured that connecting lines with whom they exchange business cannot be bought up by some powerful competition of their own and of such friendly connecting lines and the holders of securities in the independent systems will be assured that their interests cannot be jeopardized by the sale of the majority share to rivals, whose interests it may be to divert the business of the road into channels at the expense of the minority holders. The larger systems, on the other hand, are protected from the building of parallel lines built to force them to buy to protect themselves.

"The decision seems to make impossible the success of the projected Southern Securities Company."

Cable to Assume Office.

Topeka, Kas., April 12—H. S. Cable, superintendent of the Rock Island lines, will leave Topeka May 1 for Cedar Rapids, Ia., where he will become general manager of the northern district of the road. This is the place made vacant by the resignation of General Manager Robert Williams of that district.

Edison Grants Increase.

Denver, Colo., April 12—Manager Edison of the Denver and Rio Grande Railroad has granted an increase in wages of 5 per cent to engineers and firemen working on ordinary engines and of 7 1/2 per cent to those on compound engines. The men had demanded 15 and 20 per cent increases, but will accept the compromise offered.

Railway Construction Notes.

It is reported that the Illinois Central will expend \$700,000 in improving its docks in New Orleans.

Wabash terminals are to be built at Parkersburg, W. Va.

McArthur Brothers have been awarded the contract for the Seaboard Air Line and the Louisville and Nashville are buying property in Atlanta for terminal stock.

A preliminary survey is being made by the Santa Fe through Beaver County, Oklahoma.

George Hobbs of the Colonial Trust Company as the man who changed a \$1,000 bill at his window. Sullivan is a Republican, and voted with the Farris crowd during the entire session of the Assembly.

How House Haggled at Senate.

While Senator James Orchard was absent from Jefferson City, supposedly with the repeal bill in his pocket, Representative Mitchell of St. Louis presented the following resolution in the House on March 30, which was unanimously adopted:

Whereas, House bill No. 38, passed this House early in the session, and is now held by the chairman of the Senate Committee on Criminal Jurisprudence;

Resolved, That the House of Representatives do all in its power to relieve the people of the State of this monopoly, and that the people hold the chairman of the Senate Committee on Criminal Jurisprudence responsible for the failure of this proposed legislation.

SENATOR STONE NOT EXPECTED TO BE PRESENT TO-DAY.

REPUBLIC SPECIAL.

Jefferson City, Mo., April 12—No one here is able to confirm the rumor that United States Senator J. H. Stone will be absent before the Cole County Grand Jury, which convenes at the Courthouse to-morrow after a week's rest, during which time some remarkable developments in the hoodie investigation have taken place in St. Louis.

It has frequently been asserted that former Governor Stone would be asked by the Cole County Grand Jury to come here and tell what he knows about the slum bill. If any subpoena has been issued for Mr. Stone it cannot be ascertained here. It is almost certain that he will not be here to-morrow.

Mrs. W. J. Stone and daughters have recently arrived here from Ferguson to reside, and Senator Stone is expected from St. Louis this week some time to look for a suitable home in the city. He may be called upon to appear before the jury on the occasion of his visit here, in which event his friends say he will testify with the means of a subpoena service.

If the Grand Jury or Attorney General Crow should merely request the presence of Senator Stone before the twelve men who are doing the hoodie probing it will be unlikely that Senator Stone will receive such a request should he pay a visit to Jefferson City this week. He has already been subpoenaed nobody can affirm.

Sensors John Morton of Ray and Ernest Martin of St. Louis are in the city to-night to appear before the Grand Jury to-morrow. Senators Farris, Sullivan, Buchanan, Walker and several others are expected in to-morrow. It will unquestionably be a busy day and several others are expected in to-morrow. Some indictments will be returned to-morrow. Attorney General Crow is not in the city to-night, but will arrive in the morning.

Editor Page will also come in to-morrow and give his ultimatum to the jury. In case he continues to refuse to locate the source of the original \$100 bill he will probably be given to Wednesday to answer Judge Hazell will come before Judge Hazell on next Wednesday and show cause why he should not be sent to jail for contempt. Hickox said to-night that he had not changed his mind, and would continue to stand on his constitutional rights.

A Whole Wheat Cracker.

LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR LEE'S STATEMENT TELLS ORIGIN OF ANTI-ALUM CONSPIRACY

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with them on a majority of the measures before the senate.

The witnesses who have been subpoenaed to appear before the St. Louis Grand Jury to-day are Colonel William H. Phelps, Senators Sartorius and Smith of St. Louis, Orchard of West Plains, Sullivan of Christian, Buchanan of Monticue, Marshall of Scott and Jewell of Kansas City. Sullivan and Buchanan were not around the hotels late last evening.

Circuit Attorney Folk is said to have some damaging evidence which he is holding back, and which will be used against some of the witnesses who may perjure themselves before the Grand Jury.

Senator Sullivan of Christian County is said to have been identified by Cashier

OLD FRONTIERSMAN, DEAD.

Colonel Bill Root Was Companion of "Buffalo Bill."

Salt Lake, Utah, April 12—Colonel Bill Root, a companion through his life of "Buffalo Bill" and a friend of Bill Nye during the latter's reportorial days in Laramie, died suddenly of heart failure in his apartment in the city late last night. He was about 60 years old.

When a young man he settled in Laramie, became interested in the Laramie Boom, and took Bill Nye in partnership with him. This was the beginning of the latter's career as a writer. As a catcher of wild animals Colonel Root has an international fame.

Eighty-seven horses eligible.

Only Twenty-Four Declarations in the Harlem National Handicap.

Chicago, April 12—Only twenty-four of the 111 horses entered in the \$20,000 Harlem National Handicap, to be run at Harlem, Chicago, June 6, have been declared out. Herein are considered the small percentage of declarations as a high complement to the success of the race.

As various forms of illness are responsible for nearly half of the declarations, the following list of the horses who have accepted their weight are:

McIntosh	127	Red Comet	124
London Apollo	126	Jordan	123
Hernandez	125	Frank	122
St. Louis	124	Wendell	121
Rainbow	123	Eva G.	120
St. Louis	122	Wendell	121
Owens	121	Am Revoir	120
Glenwater	120	Wendell	121
Belmont	119	Wendell	121
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